



Fence Permits

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

This flyer does not reflect municipality and home owner association rules and regulations. If you live in a homeowner association or a municipality please consult their regulations.

Installation of a New Fence

A building permit is required to **install** any type of fence in Montgomery County. The application packet must include two (2) copies of a site plan showing where the fence will be located on the property.

There are no restrictions about the type of fence that can be installed or which side faces either property. There are restrictions, however, for swimming pool enclosures, with very specific requirements that can be found in Chapter 51 of the Montgomery County Code.

If the height of the fence is not over six and one-half feet (6' - 6') high, measured from the lowest level of the ground immediately under the fence, it can be located anywhere on the property. However, on a corner lot, a linear distance of fifteen feet (15') from the intersection of the front and side street right-of-way lines, the fence height cannot exceed three feet (3') above curb level.

Replacement of an Existing Fence

Replacement of an existing fence installed with a building permit with the same kind of fence in the same location at the same height does not require a building permit. If an existing fence was not installed with a building permit, the replacement fence must have a building permit.